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WEEKLY REVIEW.

General News Summary.

The coal mines in and about Springfield, Ill., employ about 1200 men.

J. M. Best's mill at Nilewood, Illinois, was burned Dec. 25th. Loss, \$16,000.

A clothes-pin firm at Denmark, Me., will use 1,000 cords of birch next year.

There is a national bank in every State and Territory except Mississippi and Arizona.

John Evans, President of the Mutual Union Telegraph Company, died in New York, Dec. 25th.

Mexican papers argue that postal cards and railways will facilitate that country's development.

Frederick Lauer, a well known brewer of Reading, Pa., has failed. Liabilities, \$300,000; assets, \$250,000.

The losses by fire at the South street bonded warehouse, New York, Dec. 24th, are placed at \$2,000,000.

A company has been organized to mine asbestos at Sherbrooke, Canada, and starts with \$500,000 capital.

The railroad train in Germany that runs by electro-magnetism as the motive power, continues to be a great success.

The residence of Augustus Byrnes, on Michigan Avenue, Chicago, was partially destroyed by fire Dec. 24th. Loss, \$25,000.

Albert Hencke, a farm laborer, was found dead near Omaha, December 23d, having accidentally shot himself while shooting rabbits.

On the night of December 23d, at Green Plains, Va., the store of J. H. and J. B. Prince burned, and two clerks perished in the flames.

The shaft and buildings around the Hazleton mines, Willis' Gulch, Colorado, were destroyed by fire Dec. 25th. Loss, \$35,000; insurance, \$5,000.

Rev. Dr. Leonard Bacon, a professor in Divinity at Yale College, died of heart disease Dec. 24th. He was a prolific writer and highly esteemed in Congregationalism.

White & Co's tannery, near Highland Station, Mass., was burned Dec. 24th, with the machinery and a large stock. Loss, \$150,000. Eighty hands are thrown out of employment.

The United States Supreme Court has decided that failure to pay an insurance premium when due forfeits the whole policy, and that sickness or incapacity is not a valid excuse for non-payment.

A bonded warehouse in New York, stored with silks, tobacco and spirits, burned Dec. 24th. Loss, \$500,000. On the same day a building on Broadway burned with a loss of \$140,000.

The well known private banking house of Haskell & Harris, of Hillsboro, Ill., has made an assignment to Judge E. Lane. Its liabilities are reported to be over \$100,000; assets about \$60,000.

At Cadaryville, Ohio, about three o'clock on the morning of Dec. 24th, a body of masked men broke into all the drinking places in the village and demolished the contents. Some of the buildings were torn down.

A project is on foot, under the supervision of M. M. Decker, of Berlin, now in Boston, to establish an international immigration society to aid the emigration of German girls and women to the United States.

The secretary of the National Prohibition Alliance, Mrs. M. Brown, has issued a circular containing the names of over 100 delegates to the New York reform conference, calling for a general conference of prohibitionists to be held in Chicago, March 1 and 2, 1882.

The wholesale grocery firm of Knowles, Cloyes & Co., Chicago, suspended Dec. 24th. They were engaged chiefly in the coffee, tea and spice trade. The liabilities are reported at \$250,000 to \$300,000. Their liabilities are largely to parties in New York, Boston, Portland and Philadelphia.

Phillips, Marshall & Co., of London, have just concluded a purchase of 1,300,000 acres of land from the State of Mississippi. Seven hundred and sixty thousand acres is known as loose lands, and located mostly in the Yazoo delta, comprising some of the richest cotton timber lands in the South. The intention is to improve, colonize and cultivate these lands.

Complaints are received that much difficulty is experienced in getting the Italian Agency supplies transported. It is caused principally by a failure of duty in the contractors. Many of the supplies are reported frozen up in the Northwest rivers. It is the intent on the part of the Bureau to hold the contractors strictly accountable for neglect. The agencies are clamoring for vaccine matter.

At Jefferson, Ind., Dec. 25th, John McClellan celebrated the holiday by putting a pound of powder in three bottles, fastening them tightly, and then attempting to explode them in his yard. Falling in this, he placed the bottles on a table in the house. Mrs. McClellan desired to light a fire-cracker, and in attempting to ignite it from the lamp, the cracker went off and the lamp exploded, setting off the three bottles, which exploded with fearful effect, scattering glass everywhere. The house took fire as did also the clothing of Mr. and Mrs. McClellan and Miss Berry. McClellan was badly burned and his wife dangerously—her clothing burned from her body. Miss Berry is probably fatally injured by flying glass and splinters. A piece of glass penetrated McClellan's leg so that it could not be extracted. Window panes were torn out and pieces of glass imbedded in the walls.

Crime and Criminals.

Four Italians were stabbed in an affray in New York on Christmas day.

At a matinee ball in Baltimore, Christmas eve, Charles Miller shot Martin Wright fatally. Both are young men.

A man named Koesters has been held for the murder of Oscar Hammer, a barkeeper in Omaha, on Christmas morning.

By a collision at a crossing in New Jersey, Dec. 19, a locomotive and two cars and a signal station were wrecked. A fireman was killed.

W. Robert Jones who murdered the three Walker boys on the 29th of Nov. at Aberdeen, Miss., has been arrested near Tusculo, Alabama.

A family row at Helenwood, near Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 24th, resulted in the shooting of six men, three of whom at latest reports were dead.

At the Ohio Valley cement mill near Jeffersonville, Ind., Dec. 26th, white and colored workmen had a row, in which Henry Mitchell, colored, was killed.

The total amount of funds for the relief of the Michigan fire sufferers, raised in Chicago, is \$43,000, besides a large amount of clothing and other supplies.

Early on the morning of Dec. 26th, Phil Stryer in Philadelphia cut his wife's

throat and then attempted to drown himself. The woman's condition is dangerous. Stryer is a miser arrier.

During a riot among some railroad laborers at Newburgh, N. Y., on Christmas night one Italian was shot and an Irishman fatally stabbed. The military was called out and six Italians were arrested.

At Fort Worth, Dec. 23d, Wm. R. Raynor, United States Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue, shot and killed John Morris, one of the best known sportsmen in the southwest, in a quarrel over a courtesan. Raynor surrendered.

James W. Miller, one of the Catfish, (Pa.) robbers, sentenced last August to seven years in the penitentiary, escaped Dec. 22d by secreting himself in a box supposed to contain boots and shoes. The box was loaded with men who looked with anxiety and alarm at the appearance and conduct of the prisoner, he is a sane man. The hypothetical question put to him was: "If I were a criminal, would I have changed my mind, and I guess I wouldn't do it." He then begged himself in opening his mail, remarking: "This is the first time I have opened my mail myself for some time."

Dr. Theo. Gannett, of Auburn, N. Y., who had been indicted for the murder of a woman by the prosecution, was called to the stand. Witness believed that, judging by the evidence to which he had listened, including that of the woman who had been the victim, and the appearance and conduct of the prisoner, he is a sane man. The hypothetical question put to him was: "If I were a criminal, would I have changed my mind, and I guess I wouldn't do it." He then begged himself in opening his mail, remarking: "This is the first time I have opened my mail myself for some time."

A horrible crime was committed at Ashland, Ky., on the evening of December 23d. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gibbons who reside near that town, left at home a fourteen-year-old daughter, Miss Emma Thomas, seventeen years old, and their son Robert Gibbons. During the night the villains came to the house, outraged both girls, saturated their clothing with oil, set fire to the house, and killed young Gibbons, who was attempting to give the alarm. All three of the dead had their heads split open with a hatchet.

A domestic tragedy occurred at Waterville, Neb., Dec. 23d, by Mr. Travis who had been absent in the mountains three years. His wife supported the family by clerking in a drug store and keeping the postoffice. She was said by those knowing her best to have been an excellent woman in every respect. Travis received some weeks ago, from a medicine neighbor told ugly stories but peace was restored. On the night of December 23d, at Green Plains, Va., the store of J. H. and J. B. Prince burned, and two clerks perished in the flames.

Dr. H. Rosenbauer, a prominent physician, was assassinated at his residence nine miles from Pine Bluff, Arkansas, on the evening of December 24th. The assassin fired through a window, lodging fifteen bullets in the victim's body. A Chinese handman, named Lee Chow, is suspected. The latter has lately married Estella Smith, a beautiful but ignorant girl. Soon after their marriage Chow and wife left Little Rock and settled in Dr. Rosenbauer's neighborhood, and an infamy sprang up between the doctor and the Chinaman's wife, and she left her husband and took up her residence at the doctor's house. Chow, however, persuaded her to return to Little Rock with him. The doctor followed, and, according to the woman of stealing money and other valuables. He became very violent and abusive, and was arrested and fined in the police court, when he immediately left the city and returned home where he was assassinated. The doctor was a Prussian, but went to Arkansas from Arcola, Md., where he has a family.

News from Abroad.

IRELAND.

The proposed exhibition of Irish manufactures has fallen through, owing to a dispute between Dublin and Belfast in regard to royal patronage. It is denied that Parnell has been removed from Kilmallick. Resolutions were adopted condemning Wyndham as an administrator and demanding a compensation and purchase by the State. Bigger, Saxton, Lator, O'Connor and O'Donnell, members of Parliament, have issued an address expressing deep gratitude for services rendered by the Ladies' Land League.

The Privy Council have decided to proclaim in Ireland a new law, making it illegal to possess arms without a license. Catholic priests are circulating in Ireland copies of Bishop Hayes' letter to the priests of the Faith declaring that the land is the common property of all.

A large meeting resolved to ask the government to remove the last vestiges of slavery in the Antilles.

The confession made by a postoffice clerk has led to the discovery of a gang of thieves and forgers who used the contents of stolen letters so as to procure money by forging acceptances. Five thousand letters were stolen. The gang was arrested and on clothes made expressly to conceal the plunder. Sixteen persons were arrested, including several connected with the postoffice. One hundred valuable letters, directed to important firms in Madrid, were found in the houses of its accomplices. Many arrests have been ordered throughout Spain.

ENGLAND.

Rev. John Davies, on Christmas day, in the Chapel Royal of St. James' Palace, said: "One of the events for which the present year will be memorable is the appearance of the Rev. Thomas Stoughton, the eager demand for the white robe of the Anglican community, was an exceptional event in history. The greatness of the future of nations belongs to the Republic of the United States, and it is there where the work was awaited with the most universal impatience." The Mormon missionaries held a conference in London on Christmas. They proposed to take converts to Utah early in 1882. Fifteen hundred converts have been made since August. Some of the elders will remain in England to proselyte.

EMIGRATION.

Emigration from Germany promises to be more colossal in 1882 than in 1881. Fourteen thousand tickets have already been taken for transportation on vessels leaving Bremen for the United States.

The Fate of a Government Clerk.

The January part of Mrs. Burnett's new serial story, "Through One Administration," now appearing in The Century, contains the following sketch of the dubious tenure of a Government clerk:

Arbutnot had come in later than usual, and had appeared to be in an unusual mood. He was pale when he entered, and had no jesting speech to make. He took his seat with Bertha, and replied to her remarks with but little of his customary animation, now and then lapsing into silence as if he had forgotten his surroundings. Bertha seemed inclined to let his humor pass without notice, as if it was not exactly a new experience, but Richard commented upon it.

"Something has gone wrong," he said. "What is it, Larry?"

"Nothing has gone wrong," Arbutnot answered, with a short, cheerless laugh. "I have seen a ghost, that is all."

"A ghost?" said Bertha, in a low voice, and then sat silent, guarding her face from the fire with her favorite peacock-feather screen.

"All right, your honor, I'll be quiet now," said Arbutnot, and he sat silent, guarding his face from the fire with her favorite peacock-feather screen.

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